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## Manufacturer's Power Comp'y Is Organized

(From Manufacturers Record.)  
N. C. Hendersonville.—Manufacturer's Power Co., capital stock \$700,000, incorporated by W. S. Montgomery, (president), John A. Law (treasurer), George E. Ladshaw (engineer) and H. L. Bomar of Spartanburg, S. C.; Joseph Lee, of Landrum, S. C., and Wm. A. Law of Philadelphia, Pa.; purchased 1200 acres of land on Green River, extending over territory 12 miles long, between Hendersonville and Saluda; is reported as planning to construct dam, power-house, transmission system, etc. (Mr. Ladshaw and associates previously mentioned in connection with organization of Appalachian Power Co., planning water-power developments in same section.)

Mrs. Jessie Morse Schreve Hostess to the Bridge Club.

On Saturday afternoon one of the prettiest parties of the holiday season was given by the bridge club by Mrs. Jessie Morse Schreve who is at all times a charming hostess. The decorations of Christmas greens and poinsettias were in charming accord with the season. Auction bridge was played and four tables of players participated in the game. The score cards were miniature hand painted poinsettias. Miss McCullough was the recipient of the club prize, a bon bon dish. Mrs. Charles St. John received the guest prize, a fruit basket. The Christmas idea of red prevailed in the delicious refreshments. About sixteen of the club members enjoyed Mrs. Schreve's hospitality.

Third Booster Banquet at St. John Thursday Evening.

The Third Booster Banquet which was to have been given at the St. John hotel Monday evening, under the auspices of the Greater Hendersonville Club, on account of inclement weather was postponed until Thursday evening, January 2nd. Preceding the banquet or to be more explicit at 7:45 o'clock there will be a business meeting of the club. The banquet will follow immediately after. A special program for the ladies will be an interesting feature of the evening. These banquets in the past have proven very enjoyable events and there is reason to believe that this one will be an exceptionally pleasant affair. Not merely club members are invited, but an invitation is extended to the town at large.

Remember the date—Thursday evening, January 2nd—the place—The St. John Hotel—the price—50 cents the plate—the invitation includes YOU.

## HENDERSONVILLE INFORMATION BUREAU TO OPEN

Charles A. Carlson, who recently took over the line of the Hendersonville Traction company, announces that at an early date he will open an office in one of the northern cities, probably New York, from which place information pertaining to Hendersonville will be disseminated.

Mr. Carlson is reported as saying that his office in Hendersonville is intended for something more than an investment in the car line.

Those familiar with Mr. Carlson's movements believe that his efforts in behalf of Hendersonville will avail much in that he has the interests of the city at heart and sees a great future for this immediate section.

## INDUSTRIOUS HEN LAYS TWO EGGS IN RAPID FLIGHT OF SIX FEET

That a hen laid two eggs during a sudden flight of approximately six feet seems the very irony of paradox, but such is the story given a representative of this paper by William H. Boyce, a prominent farmer and something of a poultry fancier of Chowan county, the same being vouched for by Mrs. Boyce, who declared that she had never seen or heard of anything of the kind before.

At such a strenuous age as this when the Housekeepers' league is waging campaigns against the high cost of living in many northern cities, resulting in a drop in the price of hen fruit from fifty cents or more per dozen to "sufragette eggs" for twenty-three cents, such a remarkable feat on the part of a member of the feathered tribe is considered far from the ordinary.

At this point of the story Dr. Columbus Few, a great chicken fancier and president of the Henderson County Poultry association, stalks in and the fact is related to him by the newspaper scribe. The genial doctor knows a great deal about the traits of a hen but he frankly admits that this "stunt" by the gallinaceous bird is one on him for he cannot recall anything better than an old hen of his laying two eggs one day while in a coop.

Mr. Boyce said that while watering his horse he frightened a hen from the trough and that in her flight to the ground, covering a distance of about six feet, she ruthlessly deposited two samples of soft shelled eggs before alighting. Mr. Boyce was inclined at first to believe that the hen laid only one egg, which he thought was a little out of the ordinary. An examination showed that one of the eggs broke in the fall while the other remained intact. Both were soft shelled.

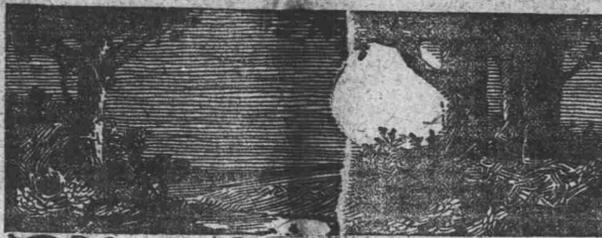
Mrs. F. M. Walker Horribly Burnt  
Mrs. Frank Walker was horribly burnt at her home in East Hendersonville on Sunday last and was taken to the Mission hospital in Asheville a few hours later. Her condition is reported as very precarious.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker anticipated spending the day pleasantly in Asheville and Mrs. Walker was in the act of bathing her baby, preparatory to leaving, when her clothes in some unaccountable way became ignited from the open fire. She called for help and an aunt, the only inmate in the house, responded and told her to run out in the open and she would throw water upon her from the hydrant. The moment she reached the air she was enveloped in flame. By this time her husband had reached her and by heroic effort extinguished the flames, but not until she was burned, as is feared, beyond all hope of recovery. Mrs. Walker is the mother of two small children. The tragic accident has cast a mantle of gloom over the community in which she lived.

Woodmen Install Officers.

The local lodge of the Woodmen of the World will install at the lodge rooms Thursday night, the officers recently elected.

In addition to the installation of officers elected for the coming year an enjoyable smoker will be given. A number of interesting talks will be made and a full attendance is urged.



## The Ingathering By Gilbert D. Nesbit

"And the feast of ingathering at the year's end."  
—Exodus xxxiv, 22.

So the year dies,  
Into the afterglow,  
All the year's day.

We count them, one by one,  
Days filled with shade or sun,  
Days of great tasks begun,  
Days of achievement,  
Days when we, weak and frail,  
Felt all our courage fail,  
When we, benumbed and pale,  
Met our bereavement.

And far and far away  
We find the year's first day—  
But was it sad or gay,  
Can we remember?  
Slowly they die, the days,  
As does some ruddy blaze—  
End in a smoking haze  
Or crumbling ember.

Joys—there were joys to spare,  
Griefs—there were griefs to bear,  
Ah, and the joys all fair  
Spent on the morrows!  
Joys were the clinking gold  
Dropping from out our hold—  
We, like to misers old,  
Clung to our sorrows.

And this is stranger still,  
Sorrows that worked us ill  
Nor grow as sorrows will,  
To things we cherish,  
And out of all the year  
We find that sigh and tear  
As blessings now appear  
And cannot perish.

So do we count the days  
Down all of time's long ways  
And with dim peace we gaze  
On bond and fetter,  
And know at last that all  
Of the blind blows that fall  
And the cups brimmed with gall  
But make us better.

So dies the year, and so  
Gently we come to know  
How fair the afterglow,



## COMMITTEE TO DRAFT GOOD ROADS BILL FOR HENDE

The County's Representatives in General Assembly Will Endeavor to Have the Bill Enacted Into Law. The committee recently appointed by Representative-elect John P. Patton to ascertain the good roads sentiment of the various townships in Henderson county reported conclusions very favorably over the county committee meeting last Saturday.

The manner and amount of assessment came up for discussion at the meeting and although no set procedure was decided upon a committee composed of F. S. Wetmur, Preston S. Patton and J. P. Fletcher was appointed to draft a bill to be introduced at the next session of the general assembly. This committee will have the bill, which it is hoped will be enacted into a law, prepared within the next few days.

Those present at the meeting were enthusiastic for good roads and unmistakably impressed the minds of Representative-elect

Senator-elect T. B. Allen to have said that their action will be governed by the wishes of the people.

## Kindergarten Notices.

The private Kindergarten directed by Mrs. H. W. Dysart will re-open next Monday, January 6th at 9 o'clock in the kindergarten rooms, 26 West 4th ave.

All the little ones are requested to bring their names promptly for the opening of the school.

Mrs. Dysart is desirous of enlarging her Kindergarten class and has space for a few more pupils, whom she cordially invites to join the class at the opening of the second term January 6th, 1913.

For further information and terms see Mrs. H. W. Dysart, Kindergarten, Kentucky Home annex.

Ins and wife.—Bryson City Times.

Mr. Henry Stewart, the efficient secretary and treasurer of the Greater Hendersonville Club, has been on a visit to his home in Battleboro, N. C., during the holidays.

## FIRST NATIONAL BANK AND WANTESKA CONSOLIDATE

## HENDERSON CO'S MUSICAL ASS'N CONVENES AT COURT HOUSE

Music? No! Singing? No! For such words do not adequately express the occasion, which City Alderman John L. Orr said in an inspired speech "the human mind cannot comprehend an dthe tongue cannot express in words." Mr. Orr undoubtedly knew that he was taking about, it being the occasion of the third convention of the Henderson County Musical association, which was held in the county court house Sunday.

Mr. Orr characterized the convention as "one of the greatest days in the history of Henderson county," and the audience which heard his brief address was unquestionably the largest that had ever assembled in the court house.

Eight choirs participated in the occasion, one of which was from Buncombe county and another from Transylvania. From various directions the musicians came, some on train, some on foot, some on wagon, others horseback or in a vehicle of some kind. From the time the convention was called to order until the last hymn, "God be with You till we Meet Again," was rendered, the court house was crowded and during the afternoon session it was almost impossible to find a vacant place in the large court house big enough to accommodate two feet upon which many rested themselves.

Mayor R. H. Stator delivered the welcome address, to which response was made by A. S. Edney Fanning Stepp, the president of the association, presided over the meeting.

During the morning session each of the eight choirs rendered one selection after Mud Creek had given the welcoming song. The hundreds of persons present partook of the large baskets well filled with wholesome edibles. Two selections were rendered by each choir in the afternoon and there was a persistent request that the choirs render another selection for their music had worked itself into the hearts of the audience.

The association decided to hold semi-annual meetings hereafter instead of meeting on each fifth Sunday. The next convention will be held on the first Sunday in June at the court house.

For the accommodation of the choirs the association was divided into three districts so that rehearsals may be held without much inconvenience. Each district can hold meetings any time it is thought best but the three districts will unite twice yearly.

Resolutions of sympathy were drawn up to be sent to the family of the late S. C. Welch of Waynesville, expressing appreciation of the untiring work of Mr. Welch, who until death was the president of the Haywood county musical association.

The following choirs, all of which had thoroughly prepared for the convention, participated therein: Liberty, Pleasant Hill, Mud Creek, Christian Harmony, Mountain Page, Valley Hill, Haw Creek, of Buncombe county, and Holly Springs of Transylvania county.

Each choir was composed of several voices, ranging from children in their teens to aged fathers and mothers.

This was the third convention of the association and although the former ones were considered a great success it is believed that the last was the best in the point of attendance, interest and music rendered.

On motion of Judge C. M. Pace a vote of thanks as coming from Hendersonville was extended the association for its excellent music.

Enjoy Reading This Paper.

"I enjoy reading The Hustler and am pleased to note the great progress, that is rapidly going on in Western North Carolina. Let the good work go on and may peace and prosperity smile around Hendersonville always," is the way L. Gordon Harvey, of Savannah, Ga., sums up his appreciation of this paper and the "Land of the Sky."

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey are regular readers of this paper and like hundreds of others, though absent from Hendersonville, are interested in the place enough to keep in close touch with it through the columns of the newspaper.

Hon. Charles-French Toms and family of Asheville were visiting his party in Hendersonville yesterday.

At a meeting of the directors of The First National bank and the Wanteska Trust and Banking company held Tuesday afternoon for the purpose of disposing of certain matters pertaining to the consolidation of the two banks on January first, the question of the election of officers on a da board of directors was taken up. The following named officers and directors were elected:

Officers—W. J. Davis, president; K. G. Morris, vice president; P. F. Patton, vice president; J. Mack Rhodes, cashier.

Directors—W. J. Davis, W. A. Smith, R. C. Clarke, P. F. Patton, J. O. Bell, F. S. Wetmur, R. H. Stator, S. Johnston, R. H. Bennett, K. G. Morris, Geo. Stephens, G. H. Valentine, A. Cannon, Wm. Lott, J. L. Egerton, Thos. E. Cooper, J. C. Morrow.

The proceedings of the meeting were marked with perfect harmony and the election of officers and directors was unanimous. The new bank styled, The First Bank and Trust Company, begins business with a capital stock of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars and a surplus of twenty-five thousand dollars. Its career is launched under most favorable auspices. The names of its officers and directors is sufficient guaranty of its success. With such a backing the new bank takes rank among the strongest banking institutions in the state, and according to present indications bids fair to enjoy an era of well merited prosperity.

## How Christmas Was Spent in Hendersonville

Christmas passed off very quietly in Hendersonville. There was little idleness and carousing. Only one arrest was reported during the day. Mayor Stator expressed himself as being much gratified over the record the town made during the holidays. The absence of fireworks was noted with much relief. Whether the fact was due to the fire in Maxwell's store the day before Christmas which destroyed the entire stock of combustibles (S. Maxwell & Co., being sole agents), or whether it may be attributed to a sane determination upon the part of parents to use their efforts toward abolishing the foolish, dangerous and extravagant custom, is a matter of some conjecture. When such towns as Wilmington, Charlotte, Salisbury and others of equal importance take a firm stand in the matter, it seems time for the smaller cities to do likewise. These cities report a quiet and sane observance of the day. In Atlanta where fireworks were engaged in, two hundred inmates were reported in the infirmary the day after Christmas, as a result of accidents from these explosives. Another reason advanced for the quiet way in which Christmas was observed here was that Hendersonville is a dry town. While whiskey may have been in reach, it was not in easy reach of the poorer classes and they spent a sober Christmas in consequence.

According to the program outlined in last week's paper appropriate services were held in all the churches. Much entertaining was done in a quiet way; the poor were remembered and much good cheer was dispensed.

## CRAIG'S FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT.

Will Appoint Major Young Adjutant-General—Buncombe Man Has Been Endorsed by Overwhelming Majority of N. C. National Guard.

Asheville, N. C., Dec.—Governor-elect Cra g announced that immediately following his inauguration in January he would appoint Major Lawrence W. Young, of this city, as adjutant-general of the North Carolina National Guards. In making the appointment Governor Craig said: "Major Young has been endorsed by an overwhelming majority of the National guard and seems to be the choice of about all the soldiers of the State. His record as a soldier has been of the very highest and in my opinion and in the opinion of those well versed in military affairs he will administer the office with honor to himself and most acceptably to the State."

"He has had a long experience as an officer of the National guard and has always taken the greatest interest in military affairs." Major Young was born and reared at Swannanoa, in Buncombe county. He is thirty-five years of age and first enlisted as a voluntary in a company organized here in 1898, during the Spanish-American war. He has been connected with the National guard since that time, holding at present the title of major in the first regiment.

Representative-elect John P. Patton leaves Sunday for Raleigh, where he will remain during the session of the general assembly. Mr. Patton's family will remain at home at Flat Rock.